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Cirque du Soleil gets delirious

Actors perform during Cirque du Soleil's "Delirium" tour at the Qwest Center Omaha Wednesday night. "Delirium" combines live music, dance and theater to create a fascinating multimedia extravaganza.

Communication key to UNO's emergency plan

JACQUELINE CHAVEZ
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A few weeks ago images of scared students in Canada running for cover were all over the news. These scenes, too familiar and disturbing, sent a wave of fear through parents and students across the country.

With this happening around the world, it is hard not to question how safe our campus really is. Are we prepared to handle a situation like the ones in Colorado or Pennsylvania?

With guns accessible to almost anyone, one may wonder what is being done to prevent a disaster from happening in our area.

Paul Kosel, assistant manager of campus security, said that there are multiple ways to communicate with campus security and have emergency assistance as needed, and said there are "code blue phones where all the residents live." There are 29 phones all over campus, many located in parking lots, the student center and other areas.

A common misconception about these phones is students think they are only just for emergency situations, but they are also designed to be used for general directions or if a person needs an escort to their car.

When asked how campus security handles emergency situations, Kosel said, "Depending on the emergency, campus security responds accordingly."

So what about a situation like that of recent shootings on school grounds?

"There is information that is given

to security staff and is talked about, but there would not be a way to confront an active shooter because campus security is not armed," Kosel said. "There is an emergency operations plan available if something to that extent would happen, but UNO does not seem to have a large percentage of crime and violence."

Kosel said some precautions students can take are to be aware of surroundings, stay in well-lit areas and know where you are going. There is an escort service students can call and security will take students back to their cars.

Tumelo Gobagoba, director of the Women's Resource Center, also plays an active part in campus security. Gobagoba said her role is to "make sure that campus security is informed." She knows it is critical to have campus security around and is concerned about the recent tragedies.

"It scares me that we are having the frequency of it and being caught off guard," Gobagoba said. "It's something that no one was prepared for. When you look at how people single out women, it really makes you want to show women some form of self-defense. Even though the more recent [attacks] have been kids, just in general I think women should step up and learn a little bit of self defense."

Because victims of recent tragedies have been female, it seems only natural to ask how safe women are at UNO.

"On our campus, in general, I think [women] are safe," Gobagoba said.

Some things that women can do

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UNO graduate student balances life, run for Metro Board of Governors

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If your telephone rings or there's a knock on your door, it might be UNO graduate student Crystal Rhoades. She is running for the Metropolitan Community College's Board of Governors and actively campaigning for the job.

Rhoades is a busy-bee, working diligently to campaign before the Nov. 7 election. In addition to running a campaign, she is a mother who balances full-time work and goes to school part-time.

This puts Rhoades in a unique position: she understands what it's like to juggle various roles, which is a major

reason she is running. If elected, she believes she will bring a new perspective to the board.

"I know the challenges of the students at Metro, many of whom are in similar circumstances, so I am well suited to represent them."

For the past 10 years, Rhoades' community involvement and work experience allowed her to gain knowledge of Omaha businesses and what employers expect from college graduates and employees.

"Metro College is a very important part of our community; it's absolutely vital to businesses here in Nebraska," she said.

As she makes her rounds visiting churches, festivals, neighborhood

association meetings and parades, her focus is on voter contact.

"I want to give people a chance to meet me and ask me questions," she said. "You have to give people a reason to vote for you. Putting your name on the ballot isn't enough."

The key issue in her campaign is how to continue providing quality, affordable education to meet the needs of the community.

Rhoades would like Metro to increase its funding from private donors and generate partnerships with more business organizations around Omaha.

Her opponent, incumbent Gary Kiel, agrees.

"We're looking for support within the community, but we don't want to

rely too much on taxpayers," he said.

As MCC's number of students expanded, so have its facilities.

MCC's variety and its programs allow students to embark on special training opportunities, giving them a quality education at a reasonable cost.

"We provide students with job skills to improve their economic opportunity... and businesses get the quality labor that they need," Kiel said.

Rhoades said she would spend more time evaluating the needs of not only the students, but also the faculty and staff by receiving their input on ways to improve the college.

Kiel said he is very sensitive to the needs of faculty and employees.

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News You Can Use

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Halloween party held tomorrow

The 14th annual Mav Kids Halloween Party will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28. The event is for kids of all ages and runs from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation building.

The event will consist of a haunted house, candy, games and prizes. The haunted house will be open from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Flu-shot clinics to be held on campus

Flu shots will be available through Student Health Services at several locations on campus. The cost is \$15 for students and \$20 for non-students. The dates, times and locations of each clinic are as follows:

Peter Kiewit Institute

Monday, Oct. 30, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

HPER Building

Tuesday, Oct. 31, 10 a.m. to noon

Scott Village

Tuesday, Oct. 31, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

University Village

Wednesday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Milo Bail Student Center

Thursday, Nov. 2, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Child Care Center costume parade

The annual costume parade is set for Tuesday, Oct. 31. Beginning at 9 a.m., children from the UNO Child Care Center will participate in the parade.

The route of the parade starts at the Child Care Center and continues along the north side of campus. At approximately 9:20 a.m., the parade will arrive at Kayser Hall and will return to the Child Care Center through the Henningson Memorial

Mall.

UNO staff, faculty and students are welcome to hand out candy to the parade participants. However, do not give out hard candy or candy with peanuts because they provide a choking hazard for small children. In case of inclement weather, the candy can be delivered at the center.

Student forum scheduled on Initiative

423

Pi Kappa Alpha is sponsoring a public forum called Students Against the Cap regarding Initiative 423. The forum will be at 10 a.m. on Nov. 1 in the Fireplace Lounge.

Crime Log

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Friday, Oct. 6

11:01 p.m. Campus Security responded to an assault in progress call at University Village. Victim (student) of assault was transported by rescue squad to UNMC. Suspect (non-affiliate) was arrested by Omaha Police and booked into jail.

Saturday, Oct. 7

11:27 p.m. Campus Security responded to an alcohol violation at University Village. Campus Security confiscated the alcohol.

Monday, Oct. 9

3:15 p.m. Staff member reported theft of university property from Roskens Hall. Incident occurred between 8 a.m., Monday, Sept. 18, and 3 p.m., Monday, Oct. 9.

Tuesday, Oct. 10

11:15 p.m. Campus Security responded to a call regarding the smell of a controlled substance at University Village. Investigation discovered the smell was a cigar.

10:45 a.m. Student reported theft of personal property from University Village. Incident occurred between 1 a.m. and 6

a.m., Saturday, Sept. 30.

10:45 a.m. A second student reported theft property from University Village. Incident occurred between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 30.

Thursday, Oct. 12

3:40 p.m. Student reported theft of vehicle from Lot 10. Incident occurred at 2:10 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 12.

Friday, Oct. 13

1:19 a.m. Campus Security responded to a suspicious person complaint at University Village. The subject was not affiliated and heavily intoxicated. Suspect was removed from campus by Omaha Police.

Saturday, Oct. 14

12:27 p.m. Campus Security discovered a vehicle parked in U Lot that appeared to be broken into. Victim was located and reported theft of personal property. Incident occurred between 2 p.m. and 2:27 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 16

12:31 a.m. Campus Security responded to University Village regarding a complaint of a liquor law violation. Campus Security identified suspects and confiscated the alcohol.

Tuesday, Oct. 17

12:45 a.m. While patrolling for a suspicious person, Campus Security observed two individuals consuming alcohol in Lot 9. Alcohol was confiscated.

2:32 a.m. While on routine patrol, Campus Security confiscated alcohol from a student in Lot 10.

Wednesday, Oct. 18

2:52 a.m. While patrolling Lot 9, Campus Security observed a vehicle with all four tires removed. Contact with the owner of the vehicle determined the tires were stolen. Incident

occurred between 1:35 a.m. and 2:52 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 19

11:29 a.m. Student reported theft from vehicle while parked in O Lot. Incident occurred between 6 a.m. and 8:45 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 20

2:30 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from their vehicle parked at First Christian Church. Incident occurred between 9:25 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from their vehicle parked at First Christian Church. Incident occurred between 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

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For The Record

In the article titled "University task force hopes to put a stop to high-risk drinking," published in the Oct. 20 issue, an error was made. Since the creation of The New Directions program at UNL, the percentage of students who were binge drinking decreased to 42 percent. The story stated that binge drinking decreased by 42 percent. The *Gateway* apologizes for this error.



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Q&A with Board of Regents Candidates

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Bob Whitehouse



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Bob Whitehouse is a challenger for the Board of Regents, district four, which includes parts of Douglas and Sarpy counties. His opponent was offered the opportunity to respond separately to the same questions.

Former Regent Dave Hergert was impeached by the Unicameral and convicted by the Nebraska Supreme Court for campaign finance violations this summer. If you were in his shoes, would you have stepped down sooner or acted differently?

I would have acted differently. I would have first of all abided by the campaign regulations by only spending what is requested by the legislator, and that is \$50,000 in the primary and general elections.

The Lincoln campus is sometimes called the "flagship" or "crown jewel" of the University of Nebraska system. If elected, what steps would you take to assure that the rest of the NU system receives sufficient attention and resources?

First of all, I believe that a regent is and should be selected to be responsible for the effective high-quality cost-efficient education of all students at all the campuses. My belief is that each campus in the system must effectively prepare students in their chosen professional fields, and I think it is our responsibility to be sure that taxpayer dollars are invested wisely in tomorrow's education across each of the campuses as uniformly and as fairly as can be applied.

There has been a lot of talk about improving "transparency and accountability" across the entire NU system. Specifically, how do you plan to improve the public accountability and openness of the university?

The issues today are simply, people want to be assured that moneys are spent wisely and reasonably, and it becomes a function not only of the administration but of the regents to see that has occurred and that it does occur. To ensure that,

there are some internal audits that can and should be put in place at all levels on all campuses. The chancellors and the president have to be committed to working with and sharing anything that would be unusual and out of the norm with regents. As far as regents going in and looking at the line item on each of these things, that is not their position to micromanage, but it is their position to look at the judgments that are used a little better to make sure that these things do happen in any programs.

What role do you believe the Board of Regents should have when it comes to embryonic stem cell research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center?

I believe that the regents should promote and allow research at UNMC that can and would include embryonic. In saying that, I do believe that there needs to be some ethical research that is in place and that certainly includes the absolute no-no of cloning and that abortion not be brought into the picture.

Do you believe the current level of student input on administrative decisions is sufficient? How might student involvement in university decisions be increased?

I think being a former high-school administrator myself, I believe strongly in the input of individuals, and I think students' voices should be heard and be part of a group that is there to make recommendations. I do not believe ultimate answer to all decision-making, but I do believe that they have a place to be heard relative to their part in important decision that would affect them.

What is the most important thing that UNO students, faculty and staff should keep in mind about you when they go to the polls on Nov. 7?

I would hope that individuals who know me and or who don't know me would check my past experiences and my background as an educator, as a career individual, as a civic leader and, more important, as a family member. I would hope that they would think of me as someone who has earned their respect regarding my integrity, my character and my reputation as a citizen who cares about the university system.

Jim Nagengast



Jim Nagengast

Jim Nagengast is a challenger for the Board of Regents, district four, which includes parts of Douglas and Sarpy counties. His opponent was offered the opportunity to respond separately to the same questions.

Former Regent Dave Hergert was impeached by the Unicameral and convicted by the Nebraska Supreme Court for campaign finance violations this summer. If you were in his shoes, would you have stepped down sooner or acted differently?

I would have resigned. I could not have held that position under the circumstances. I think when a position becomes more about you than serving the university, you have to resign. It is doing a disservice to the system.

The Lincoln campus is sometimes called the "flagship" or "crown jewel" of the University of Nebraska system. If elected, what steps would you take to assure that the rest of the NU system receives sufficient attention and resources?

First of all I think the flagship terminology is outdated, and I would really move to focus each campus on their centers of excellence. Each campus needs to build up specific areas that they really excel in. That is how we recruit top students and top faculty. That is how we increase research grants and create programs that work with the private sector to help create jobs. I think by building up the centers of excellence, that is how we will be able to recruit more students as a whole and prevent the campuses from competing with one another for students. I am very much focused on building centers of excellence.

There has been a lot of talk about improving "transparency and accountability" across the entire NU system. Specifically, how do you plan to improve the public accountability and openness of the university?

First of all, we need one accounting software system throughout the university. Right now we have multiple. Secondly, we need to define reporting relationships and oversight responsibilities. Third, we need to define the relationships between the alumni, boosters and athletic department. Bottom line, we need to treat alumni and booster dollars with the same respect as tax dollars. Then we need to improve the centralized oversight by the Board of Regents and the president's office. There is too much of a hierarchical structure on the campuses, with not enough cross-reporting and cross-sharing. We need things like the economics department in

Lincoln talking to the economics department in Omaha. We need cross-reporting in the structure. That is one of the things I bring to this race. I have really good experience of financial accountability and control. I think my skills and background are needed at the university. I have done in the public and private sector. I have those skills, and I would like to bring them to the university system.

What role do you believe the Board of Regents should have when it comes to embryonic stem cell research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center?

The role is to set the policy and my position has been that I support the current policy.

Do you believe the current level of student input on administrative decisions is sufficient? How might student involvement in university decisions be increased?

I'm not the board yet, so some of that is hard to evaluate. One of the themes of my campaign has been being responsive to the needs of students. That is in everything that we do. That included the financial aid process, recruiting students and designing course curriculum. I am a big believer that you have to look at your students as your customers, and you got to be responsive to their needs. You need as much student input as possible and in running every business you have to be responsive to the needs of your customers.

What is the most important thing that UNO students, faculty and staff should keep in mind about you when they go to the polls on Nov. 7?

With that vote you cast, vote Jim Nagengast. The number one issue that I have been talking about is being a strong advocate for UNO. Who will best represent the interests of the constituents of my district? I think UNO and future of UNO is crucial to revitalizing midtown Omaha and the metropolitan area. I would ask them to pick who is really going to help their needs the most. I firmly believe that I am that candidate. I understand the needs and aspirations of UNO. Taking it from an old commuter college to a full-fledged university and how that best serves the needs of community and my constituents.

Chuck Hassebrook



Chuck Hassebrook

Chuck Hassebrook is the incumbent for the Board of Regents, district three, which includes most of northeastern Nebraska. He is running unopposed.

Former Regent Dave Hergert was

impeached by the Unicameral and convicted by the Nebraska Supreme Court for campaign finance violations this summer. If you were in his shoes, would you have stepped down sooner or acted differently?

Yes, I would have, although I would not have found myself in his shoes because I follow the law.

The Lincoln campus is sometimes called the "flagship" or "crown jewel" of the University of Nebraska system.

If elected, what steps would you take to assure that the rest of the NU system receives sufficient attention and resources?

I think that we need to recognize that we have a statewide mission to serve people in Nebraska. We have a mission to serve people in rural Nebraska and metropolitan Nebraska. With respect to UNO, UNO has a mission of serving Omaha. It is the fastest growing part of the state. Its educational needs are growing rapidly, and I will make sure those needs are met by being responsive to those needs. We need to be responsive to the needs of the metropolitan area. I do not play favorites. In my district, I have an even number of constituents who go to UNK, UNO and UNL. From my perspective, we need to make sure each campus is strong because they each are important to the state.

There has been a lot of talk about improving "transparency and

accountability" across the entire NU system. Specifically, how do you plan to improve the public accountability and openness of the university?

I think the university is very open. One of the things I worked on as board chair was making it easier for people to speak to the board. We changed the bylaws so that if somebody wants to speak on an issue on the agenda, they can just show up. They do not have to ask and see if it is worthy. This is a very open system, and I think that is strength. The one thing I will say is that we need to stay true to that. We need to recognize we are a public institution and that the people of Nebraska have a right to know what is going on. We just need to live up to that.

What role do you believe the Board of Regents should have when it comes to embryonic stem cell research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center?

I support embryonic stem cell research. The board should be in support of the research. The key thing is that we approach it appropriately. Stem cell research costs not a single life, but it has the potential to save many millions of lives on devastating diseases. I think the pro-life position is to support embryonic stem cell research in a way that doesn't encourage abortion, and the way we do it does not. We set policy, and we set one that says we are going to have stem cell research because it saves lives.

Do you believe the current level of student input on administrative decisions is sufficient? How might student involvement in university decisions be increased?

I would be interested in hearing from students about they think about more input. If we are not responsive to our students, then we will be weaker institutions. If we listen, they can tell us

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UNO Forensics Team competes at Creighton, builds communication skills

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Last weekend, Laurie Welsh competed in a forensics competition at Creighton University with her teammates and she didn't even have to cut up any dead bodies. This forensics tournament was all about stage presence and delivery.

Forensics is an active competition including the delivery of prepared and impromptu spoken materials.

After a victorious performance, Welsh left the tournament with a desire to work even harder. Now she has a better understanding of what forensics competitions are like at the collegiate level.

"They are fun, professional and tiring," Welsh said. "The atmosphere is friendly and supportive, despite everyone's desire to be the best."

The team practices as a whole as well as individually under the direction of their coach Abbie Farrens, the director of communication, to ready their pieces.

"There's no 'winging it' competition," Welsh said. "It's evident to a judge if a competitor hasn't been putting the hours into his or her piece."

In competition, events are categorized as interpretations or platforms.

Interpretations are drawn from works of literature that already exist. They can include dramatic and dramatic duo interpretations, which are usually taken from plays. Poetry and prose interpretations involve the interpretation of a set of poetry that creates an argument or a short story. Program oral interpretation engages in the interpretation of a set of literature that creates a program and proposes an argument.

Platforms include after-dinner speaking as well as persuasive, informative, extemporaneous and impromptu speaking.

Marty Ertz, president of the UNO Forensics Team, said that preparation for each event is different.

"The interpretation events and the public address events all require the speech or program to be memorized in advance, whereas the limited preparation events are all done on the scene," Ertz said.

Four-year member Ertz has qualified two out of three years for the American Forensic Association National Individual Event Tournament, the equivalent to championship matches for athletic programs.

Ertz's goal as president is to see that every member of the team becomes eligible for the event.

"Not only is this tournament held at incredible places throughout the country, it gives each competitor a chance to see some of the best speakers in the nation," Ertz said.

UNO student Kayla Vavra has gained experience as a first-year member on the team.

"Along with being a great outlet to improve my public speaking skills, forensics has also been a great way to meet new people," Vavra said. "Having the



photo courtesy UNO Forensics Team

The UNO Forensics Team placed 32nd out of 92 teams at the American Forensic Association National Individual Event in April. The ranking was a 16-point jump from the previous year.

ability to speak about important issues to a receptive audience has been a great experience as well."

Farrens is credited for the success and liveliness of the group. Team member Leland Klauzer believes that she has a great passion for forensics.

"It shows itself whenever she works with a team member," Klauzer said. "She's an energetic firecracker, an older sister, guiding you down the road she's been down not too long ago. She's someone that you wouldn't want to let down."

The UNO Forensics Team meets every Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Arts and Sciences Hall Room 154, researching, memorizing and perfecting their performances as required.

Campus Rec to host 14th annual free Mav Kids Halloween Party

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The Campus Recreation Department is seeking candy donations and volunteers in preparation for their 14th annual Mav Kids Halloween Party.

The free event is open to children of all ages, and will take place on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"Our primary target is children of UNO students, faculty and staff, but we don't turn anyone away," said Lisa Adams, assistant director of campus recreation.

Based on previous years, Joe Kaminski, director of campus recreation, anticipates this year will be another huge success.

"It's all in a safe, controlled environment and it gives parents a safe feeling," he said. "I think it's a good situation for the parents, and they appreciate it too."

Last year approximately 150 to 175 children participated in the event, and the department expects just as many to attend this year.

The party will transform the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER) building into a festival of Halloween activities, with candy, healthy treats and prizes given away throughout the night.

Adams explained that the smaller gym will be converted into a carnival-style game room geared towards younger children.

"The majority of kids who come through are elementary and preschool-aged," she said, "so the carnival games are geared towards them."

The room will consist of games such as a bean-bag toss, a fortune teller, fishing games,

musical chairs and "tombstone bowling."

For the older children, the most anticipated event is the haunted house, which will take place in the golf lab. The house takes about two days to set up each year, and requires the help of several volunteers.

Kaminski said the volunteers ask the children just how scared they would like to get before letting them through the haunted house.

"The ghosts and goblins inside the haunted house do a good job of not trying to scare the kids too much," he said. Parents can also choose to go through with their children.

The Halloween party is one of the special event programs the Campus Recreation Department provides as an attempt to bring family-oriented events to the UNO campus.

"There's not a lot for families to come in and do on campus," Adams said. "The party brings faculty, students and staff together in a neutral setting, and provides a safe alternative to going door-to-door."

During the event, the department will also be collecting canned food for local food shelters, as well as old blankets and towels for the Nebraska Humane Society. All donations can be dropped off in HPER room 100. Those interested in volunteering to help with the event should call 554-2539 for more information.

"I think [the party] is a great opportunity for parents to bring their kids and have a good time in a safe, controlled environment," Kaminski said. "I'd encourage everyone to take advantage of it. It's fun, and the kids have a great time."

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to remain safe is to be aware of well-lit areas, and ask for a police escort if they are on campus late and alone.

Students had concerns with security on campus and situations like that of Pennsylvania and Colorado. When asked about campus security, students seemed to not be as informed about what they do and what they could provide.

When asked about campus security contact, students were quick to say that the only contact they have had was through parking tickets.

"UNO is not an unsafe campus, we don't even need them to patrol or anything," said senior Miguel Alvarez.



photo by Michelle Bishop

Campus security officer Rick Korth helps Tuane Chang open his locked car to get his keys out as one of many services they provide.

"All they ever do is give tickets."

Matt Carlson, also a senior, agrees.

"[Campus security] spends too much time worrying about people parking illegally," he said. "They need to focus on other things."

Gobagoba rated UNO an eight, on a scale of one to 10 "because I feel we don't have enough security people on campus. They have a set number and I think that works, but it would be nice to be able to see one or two walking around campus."

The overall consensus was that safety is readily available at UNO, but not always visible.

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Association nominated Kiel to serve another term on the board because of the satisfactory leadership he's displayed. "The faculty thinks I do a good job," Kiel said.

Since demand has increased for high tech and healthcare jobs, Rhoades felt MCC should be teaching and preparing students for the future.

"So many of our young people learn better when they are given the opportunity to learn in a supervised environment," she said. "I would like to see these types of programs expanded at Metro."

Rhoades wants to stand behind an institution that she believes provides a tremendous opportunity for our community.

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Intramural Results

Football

October 18th

Shannon, K 12 vs Donkey Punchers 13
The Crew 21 vs Fresh Princess 18
Floor Generals 14 vs 7 Clouds 7
Pike A 18 vs Team Ramrod 20

Congratulations to **The Crew**
winning the Men's B League

Congratulations to **Floor Generals**
winning the Men's A League

October 22nd

Donkey Punchers 6 vs The Crew 34
Floor Generals 14 vs Team Ramrod 7

Soccer

October 11th

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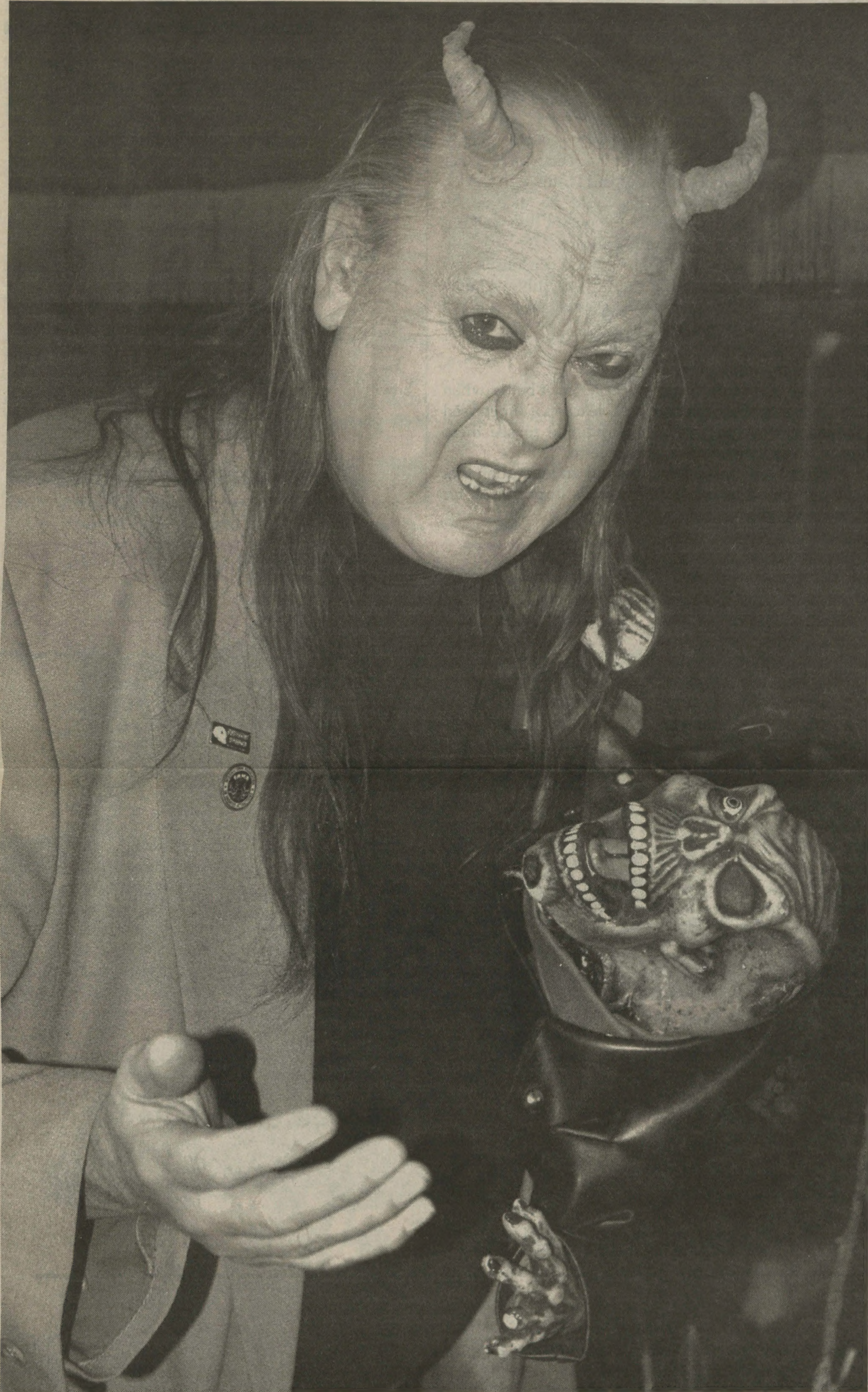
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Halloween is all about the haunts: Omaha offers spooky attractions



One of Mystery Manor's many ghouls poses for a picture while tormenting the crowds waiting in line to go through the house. Mystery Manor opens its doors at 7 p.m., every day through Halloween.

DREW HANSON
STAFF WRITER

It's that time of year again. There is that sense of impending doom that comes at the end of every October. You know the feeling: the dread that a shadow just might have moved; the fear that a sound could have been more than the house settling; and the cat – why is the cat looking at you like that? If you are getting freaked out watching old gore flicks with all the lights off, call up some friends and hit the haunted houses around the Metro area for some truly frightening experiences.

Omaha is boasting more than seven macabre attractions

that are sure to leave you with many sleepless, anxiety-filled nights. Three of these spooktacular sights stand out like the living dead in a cemetery.

Fearfest, located at 909 S. 76th St., inside the old Rod Kush warehouse, claims to be Omaha's largest "spook" house. Fearfest is the new kid on the block, this being its first year in operation.

This place is massive! Its inner core is made up of 15 rooms and two twisting, torturous mazes. Instead of dousing the walls with blood and having headless freaks chase you around, this haunted house utilizes dark areas mixed with loud noises and pneumatic haunts that jump from the least likely places.

There is no theme to this haunted house. The attractions

range from a swamp to a dungeon to a living room (yes, they make a living room scary). For 15 to 20 minutes, you are guided by a demon who taunts your every step. Every twist and turn leave you reeling with fear.

Fearfest is open Sunday through Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.; and Thursday through Saturday, from 7 p.m. until they find the last body inside. Admission is \$12.

Shadow's Edge, located at 3457 S. 84th St., next to "Manghoulson's," is operating for its fourth season. These guys really know how to make you jump! Around every corner there is some ghoulish type of noise blasting in your ear. The noises would be annoying in any other context, but inside the halls of the Shadow's Edge, the noises are devastatingly horrifying, especially when you get to the clowns.

Clowns, Leatherface, an infirmary, a nursery and a boiler room are but a few of the creepy rooms that make up this haunted house. Upon entering, you are prompted with a warning, "If you get lost, it's your own damn fault!" Not that it is easy to get lost in this house of horrors, but it would have been nice to have the safety of a guide because this place is scary!

Between the chainsaws and all the loud noises it is really easy to lose your bearings, especially when you enter the dark halls with bodies hanging from the ceiling. Also, if you have a fear of a jolly old fat man in a red suit coming down your chimney: watch out! It takes 12 to 15 minutes to find your way through this ghoulish maze of dismemberment.

An added plus to Shadow's Edge is they tear down the attraction each year. This allows the owners to implement all new scares and upgrade some of the existing attractions. If you went last year, it is in your interest to go this year. More than 60 percent of the haunted house is new.

Shadow's Edge is open Sunday through Thursday, dusk to 10 p.m.; and Friday through Saturday, dusk to 12:30 a.m. Admission is \$10. If you show your UNO Mav card you get \$1 off admission.

Mystery Manor is the granddaddy of haunted houses in Omaha. Located at 716 N. 18th St., just north of the Creighton soccer fields, the Manor has been around for 23 years and it shows. To beat an old cliché, Mystery Manor has aged like fine wine (do vampires age blood?); this place gets better with each passing year. The most notable addition this year is an alternate ending. You have to ask for this before you enter; otherwise they will stick you with the rest of the corpses in the end. Beware if you choose the alternate ending, though. It will take you to the depths of your nightmares and you may never come back.

The manor has kept all of the attractions that have put them on the map, like the slides and rotating black hole. They have also kept the running theme of the house being haunted with the souls of the people who have been murdered on the property. This place is seriously spooky and a must for any haunted house enthusiast. Visit mysterymanoromaha.org for a comprehensive and informative look at the history of the house and other spooky features.

Mystery Manor operates 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; and 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Admission is \$10. Sunday through Thursday show your UNO Mav card for a \$2 discount.

Other Metro area haunts:

Haunt the Kingdom of Fear
1849 N. 73rd St.

Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

General admission: \$11.00

Speed pass (skip line): \$15.00

Scary Acres

17272 Giles Rd.

Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

The Master's Castle: \$10

House on the Hill: \$9

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Vala's Pumpkin Patch

One mile south of Highway 370 near Gretna on 180th Street.

Multiple attractions; visit www.valaspumpkinpatch.com for a comprehensive calendar with times and events.



Freshman Shayna Gard cuts a wake competing in the freestyle event against Kansas. UNO lost to the Jayhawks but came back this weekend to beat South Dakota 124-119.

photo by Patrick Doty

Swimming, diving team hits road for weekend split with UND, ISU



Jessica Hessel

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

The UNO swimming and diving team barely had enough time to dry off this weekend.

After edging out South Dakota 124-119 in

Vermillion, Friday night, the Mavs drove back to Omaha, caught a few Z's and then headed to Ames first thing in the morning to take on Iowa State. Despite the rapid turnaround, the Mavericks gave the Division I Cyclones a run for their money, losing 274-188 in the dual meet.

Coach Todd Samland said he was pleased with his team's effort under such difficult circumstances.

"We were on the road for a good five hours of that 10-hour break, so they did good," he said.

The Mavericks top individual performance Saturday came from sophomore Janel Lawonn in the diving half of the competition. Lawonn placed third in both the 1-meter event and the 3-meter event.

Senior Lisa Wemhoff placed third in the 100-yard freestyle event and freshman Carly Lehman placed third in the 500-yard freestyle event, giving the Mavericks their only top three individual finishes on the afternoon.



Adrienne Losee

"Our talent's pretty good so we gave them a good run and, if you saw the results, there were numerous times that we were right in there, right behind in second and third," Samland said. "They have their star swimmer, but we were in there so I was really happy with how we competed."

Samland was especially happy for UNO to pick up their first win of the season over previously undefeated South Dakota Friday night.

Leading the Mavericks was sophomore Lindsey Kline, who picked up individual wins in the 800 free and the 400 free. Senior Lisa Wemhoff won the 100 free, junior Adrienne Losee won the 200 IM and junior Jessica Hessel swam away with the 100 butterfly.

In all, UNO captured six individual events and the 200 free relay title to better the Coyotes.

Samland was confident in his racers coming into the meet, but still wasn't entirely sure what the outcome would be.

"I thought that South Dakota was in the driver's seat this year and I thought we matched up really well and that we did have some tremendous competition. We had very good races and I don't mean just for the top spot because a five-point gap, that's a second and a third flipping, that's a two thirds and a fourth flipping," said Samland.

"Those three races would change the score that dramatically."

The Mavs don't want dual meet results to be their identity, though, said Samland. The most important thing to the team is performing well at their own Mutual of Omaha Invite and the conference tournament so they can qualify for nationals at the end of the season.

"Everyone kind of contributes and you go through your dual meet season and at the end you still have an outstanding performance and that's what you're known for," said Samland.



Lisa Wemhoff

Volleyball team picks up two wins over North Dakota, Upper Iowa



Rose Shires

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

With seven wins in their last eight matches and the post-season rapidly approaching, the UNO volleyball team seems to be finding a rhythm at just the right

time.

More importantly, to Coach Rose Shires, they're finding their identity.

"Our team, our young team, I think really has done a good job of maximizing their potential as a team and I think they're really starting to come to a realization of who they are as a team," said Shires.

The 20th-ranked Mavericks used the Sapp Fieldhouse advantage to down North Dakota 3-1 Saturday night and Upper Iowa 3-0 Tuesday night, running the surging Mavs overall record to 18-6.

After dropping the first game to UND, who beat the Mavericks 3-2 in Grand Forks on Sept. 29, the team rebounded and took the next three to capture the victory. Shires said the key to the turnaround was a little mid-game reassessment.

"We kind of just went back and focused on what our game plan was against them. A few things needed change and we made those few, small changes ... I felt like we got stronger and stronger as the night went on," said Shires.

Junior Carlie Christensen was the driving force in UNO's comeback over the Fighting Sioux, finishing the match with 18 kills and a career-high 13 blocks. Senior Christina Reicks also had an impressive night at the net, tallying a personal-best eight blocks. As a team, UNO notched a season-high 18.5 blocks, the second highest total in the last 20 years, according to Shires.



photo by Michelle Bishop

UNO volleyballers cheer on their teammates in action earlier in the season. The Mavericks have won seven of their last eight games to push their record to 18-6.

"We spent all of last week working on blocking," she said. "That was our focus every single day at practice, and, boy, you could sure tell in that game."

Tuesday's game offered considerably less drama, as the Mavs steamrolled Upper Iowa 30-17, 30-15 and 30-13 to sweep the match.

Still, the blowout presented another kind of challenge to her team, said Shires. It challenged them to concentrate on their own play and not go into cruise control, no matter how their opponents were performing.

The Mavericks responded by committing zero hitting errors in the third game and not allowing Upper Iowa a single service point.

"What we're trying to focus on right now, at this part of the season, is we're trying to focus on our mental strength," Shires said. "I was so proud of my athletes that, every game in that match, they got stronger and stronger and better and better."

UNO travels to Vermillion to take on South Dakota this Saturday before returning to Sapp Fieldhouse to host their final two games of the regular season next week against Augustana and St. Cloud State.

What the Mavs have working for them is that they have already beaten each of those teams once this season; what's left to find out is how far they can go.

"Without a doubt we want to use the confidence that we have by playing somebody in the past and beating them," Shires said. "But we also understand mentally what we have to do and how we have to stay focused on our game, and what we really want to accomplish this year."



Carlie Christensen

Mav-Rec

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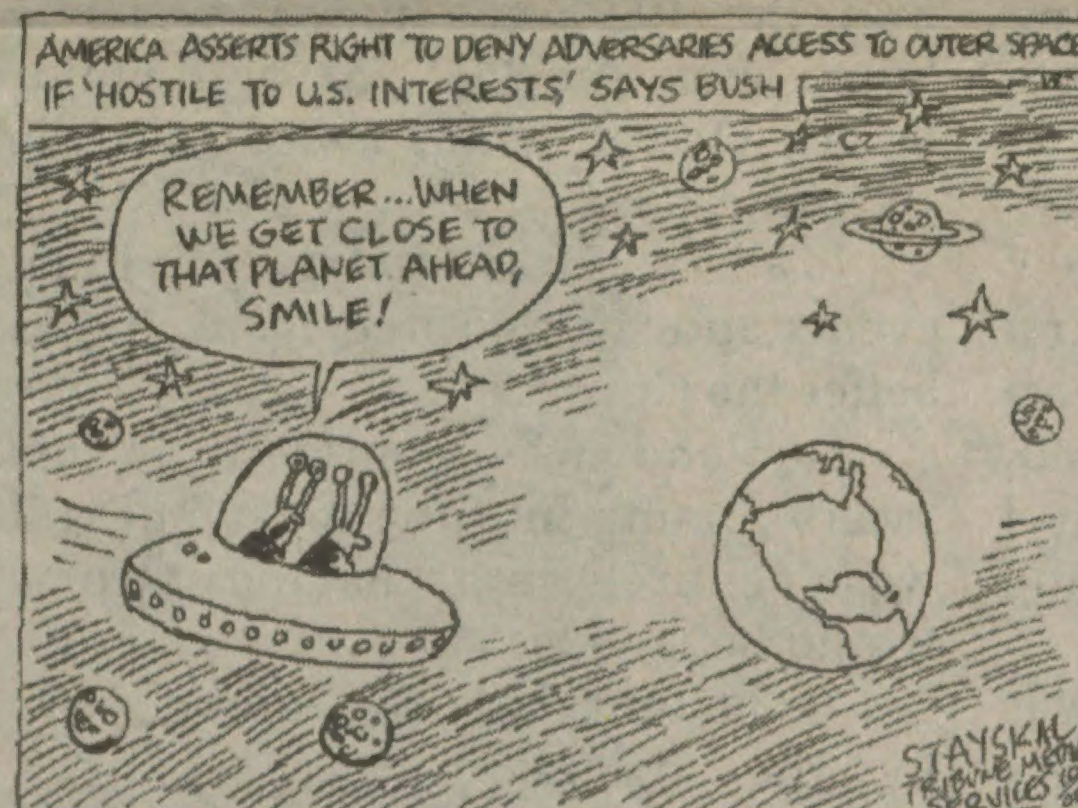
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how to be a better institution. We need to have avenues for students to speak up. I don't have any proposals, but I would be willing to listen to students about proposals to increase involvement.

What is the most important thing that UNO students, faculty and staff should keep in mind about you when they go to the polls on Nov. 7?

It is a profound responsibility to live in a democracy, and it is a big responsibility to shape a society. Voters need to think in the long term, not just tomorrow, but the future generations. We have a responsibility to make this not about ourselves, but what will help build a better society. We need to have a shot at a good life. It is something everyone needs to consider when they vote.



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